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PASS TREASURY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER SHAPIRO

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SUBJ: SECRETARY SIMON'S VISIT TO INDIA--TENTATIVE NEW DELHI PROGRAM

REF: (A) STATE 062420 (B) NEW DELHI 4186

1. SECRETARY SIMON AND HIS PARTY WILL BE MET UPON ARRIVAL IN NEW DELHI BY FINANCE MINISTER SUBRAMANIAM, AMBASSADOR AND MRS. SAXBE, AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE U. S. EMBASSY STAFF. A CONSULAR OFFICER WILL BE AT THE AIRPORT TO RECEIVE THE PASS-PORTS FROM MR. SHAPIRO AND A 2 1/2 TON TRUCK AND A STATION WAGON WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TRANSPORT THE BAGGAGE AND CLASSIFIED MATERIAL.

2. FOLLOWING ARRIVAL GREETINGS THE SIMON'S AND THE SAXBE'S WILL DEPART IMMEDIATELY FOR ROOSEVELT HOUSE. REMAINDER OF THE PARTY WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO ASHOKA HOTEL BY BUS.

3. REMAINDER OF TUESDAY EVENING IS FREE AND WE EXPECT SECRETARY AND MRS. SIMON WOULD DINE WITH AMBASSADOR AND MRS. SAXBE AT ROOSEVELT HOUSE WHILE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PARTY EAT AT ASHOKA HOTEL OR ELSEWHERE IN DELHI AS THEY WISH. THE CARS REQUESTED PARA 4, REF A) WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TAKE PEOPLE ELSEWHERE

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SHOULD THEY WISH TO EAT OUTSIDE THE HOTEL AND NIGHT OWLS

WILL BE WELL SERVED BY DELHI TAXIS.

4. THERE ARE SEVERAL RESTAURANTS AT THE ASHOKA HOTEL: THE ROTISSERIE ON THE LOBBY FLOOR SERVES INDIAN AND WESTERN FOODS; THE SUPPER CLUB, ALSO ON THE LOBBY FLOOR, SERVES WESTERN FOOD AND THE PEACOCK GRILL ON THE LOWER LEVEL SERVES INDIAN FOOD.

5. WE HAVE MADE HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS AT THE ASHOKA, BUT IF PAST PRACTICE IS ANY INDICATION WE WILL NOT KNOW THE EXACT ROOM NUMBERS UNTIL ONE OR TWO DAYS BEFORE PARTY'S ARRIVAL IN NEW DELHI. WE WILL CABLE ROOM NUMBERS TO SECRETARY'S PARTY AS SOON AS THEY ARE AVAILABLE SO THAT LUGGAGE CAN BE PROPERLY TAGGED. AS A SAFETY VALVE, IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY THAT FULL NAMES OF PASSENGERS BE ON ALL PIECES OF LUGGAGE. ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARTY WILL BE PRE-REGISTERED. CONTROL ROOM WILL CONTAIN BEVERAGES, CIGARETTES, TOILETRIES, AND OTHER SUNDRIES FOR SALE. IN VIEW OF PROBLEM POSED PARA 2(A), REF (B), IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE RECEIVE FINAL LIST OF SECRETARY'S PARTY ASAP.

6. ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR SECRET SERVICE HAVE BEEN MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUEST CONTAINED REF (A).

7. AN EMBASSY OFFICER WILL BE IN THE CONTROL ROOM AT THE ASHOKA HOTEL WHEN THE DELEGATION ARRIVES TO SELL ACCOMMODATION EXCHANGE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PARTY. WILL FT FUNDS BE AUTHORIZED FOR ANY POSSIBLE CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS OF PARTY?

8. APRIL 16; FIRST MORNING IN NEW DELHI WILL BEGIN WITH A VISIT TO RAJGHAT--GANDHI MEMORIAL ON JUMNA RIVER--AT APPROXIMATELY 0930 HOURS FOR WREATH LAYING.

9. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO SET UP CALLS ON FINANCE MINISTER SUBRAMANIAM AND FOREIGN MINISTER CHAVAN LATER IN THE MORNING OF THE 16TH, WE HAVE ALSO REQUESTED AN APPOINTMENT FOR THE SECRETARY WITH THE PRIME MINISTER HOWEVER, UNDERSTANDABLY, WE HAVE HAD TO BE MORE FLEXIBLE WITH THE TIMING HERE. MRS. GANDHI OFTEN HAS FOREIGN DIGNITARIES TO HER PRIVATE RESIDENCE FOR TEA IN THE LATE AFTERNOON, AND IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE MIGHT HAPPEN EITHER ON THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 16 OR 17.
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10. NO OTHER CALLS ARE BEING SCHEDULED IN NEW DELHI.

11. AS WE NOTED IN REF (B), WE BELIEVE FINANCE MINISTER SUBRAMANIAM WILL HOST A DINNER IN HONOR OF SECRETARY AND MRS. SIMON ON TUESDAY, APRIL 16. THIS WOULD PROBABLY BE HELD AT ASHOKA HOTEL AND WOULD PROBABLY BEGIN AT 2000 OR 2030 HOURS. SECRETARY COULD HOST RETURN DINNER IN HONOR OF SUBRAMANIAM AT ROOSEVELT

HOUSE ON APRIL 17. PLEASE ADVISE.

12. IN ADDITION TO THE VEHICLES REQUESTED PARA 4, REF (A), WE WILL HAVE

ONE OR TWO BUSES, DEPENDING ON SIZE OF PARTY, FOR THE DELHI PORTION OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT. WE PROPOSE TO HAVE A SHOPPING TOUR OF NEW DELHI LEAVING THE ASHOKA HOTEL BY BUS AT 0945 HOURS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 AND RETURNING TO THE HOTEL IN TIME FOR LUNCH AT 1300 HOURS. THE BUS WILL LEAVE THE HOTEL AGAIN AT 1500 HOURS FOR ADDITIONAL SHOPPING IN THE CITY. THE MORNING SHOPPING TOUR WOULD INCLUDE COTTAGE INDUSTRIES EMPORIUM AND SOME OF THE STATE EMPORIA. THE AFTERNOON TOUR WOULD VISIT STATE EMPORIA NOT VISITED DURING THE MORNING. FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN ANTIQUES AND/OR JEWELRY SHOPPING IS GENERALLY BETTER IN BOMBAY. END FYI.

13. THURSDAY WILL BE DEVOTED TO A HISTORICAL TOUR OF THE DELHI AREA. A BUS WILL LEAVE THE ASHOKA HOTEL AT 0930 HOURS TO TAKE THE PARTY TO SEVERAL SITES SUCH AS THE RED FORT, JAMA MASJID MOSQUE AREA, PURANA QUILA, HUMAYUN'S TOMB, ETC., RETURNING TO THE ASHOKA HOTEL IN TIME FOR LUNCH AT APPROXIMATELY 1300 #974. THE AFTERNOON PORTION OF THE TOUR WOULD LEAVE AT 1500 HOURS AND VISIT SUCH PLACES AS THE QUTAB MINAR AND POSSIBLY TUGHLAKABAD. AN EXPERT GUIDE FROM THE ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIAN WILL BE ON THE BUS. MIDDAY WEATHER WILL BE HOT.

14. SECRETARY'S CAR WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TAKE HIM WHEREVER HE OR MRS. SIMON WISH TO GO. WE CAN ALSO OBTAIN SERVICES OF A PRIVATE GUIDE FROM THE ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

15. LUNCH PERIODS ON THE QYTH AND 17TH WILL BE LEFT FREE SO
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THAT MEMBERS OF THE PARTY CAN DO AS THEY WISH.

16. IN PREPARATION FOR DEPARTURE FOR AGRA AND BOMBAY ON FRIDAY, APRIL 18, PARTY'S LUGGAGE SHOULD BE PLACED OUTSIDE THEIR HOTEL ROOMS BY 0600 HOURS FOR TRANSPORT TO THE AIRPORT. WE EXPECT TO HAVE HOTEL ROOM NUMBERS AT THE TAJ MAHAL HOTEL IN BOMBAY BY THAT TIME SO THAT PROPER FROM NUMBERS AT TAJ HOTEL CAN BE AFFIXED TO THE BAGGAGE TAGS.
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